

SCHOOL MATTERS

THE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER FROM NEWTON POPPLEFORD SCHOOL

FRIDAY 3RD DECEMBER 2021

From the Headteacher

We appreciate that for many the moving of the Christmas performances to one without audiences is of great disappointment. I would once again reassure you that this decision has not been taken lightly. We would still like to give the children an opportunity to sing with an audience but in a safe way. With this in mind classes will perform individually at the end of the school day on the following days and times:

Monday 6 th December	Year 3 – 3:15pm
Tuesday 7 th December	Reception – 3pm and Year 4 – 3:15pm
Thursday 9 th December	Year 2 – 3pm and Year 5 – 3:15pm
Friday 10 th December	Year 1 – 3pm and Year 6 – 3:15pm

These will take place on the appropriate playground. Obviously these will be weather dependent, if we need to rearrange then a message will be sent out during the day to advise of this. As if required we will move it to another day.

From the Governors

Dear Parents,

The Governing Board have completed the Headteacher recruitment process and we are delighted to announce that one of the excellent candidates has accepted our offer of employment.

We appreciate that you will want to know more details and we will share their name as soon as we are able. But this information is currently confidential until contractual formalities have been finalised. Please respect the fact that Governors are not able to discuss any details, we thank you for your patience.

Kind regards

Newton Popleford School Governors

The recent poppy collection raised £46.26.

The Royal British Legion collector popped in to thank you all for your donations.



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For any Twilight after school club matters please phone the main school number.

Theatre Alibi

We had the wonderful Theatre Alibi in school this week. A huge thank you to the PFTA for helping to fund their visit.

Every class, from Reception to Year Six, had the opportunity to go and see the show. The performers disguised themselves as an Ofsted inspector and a cleaner. However, I think some children quickly realised that something was not quite right, when they began singing and dancing!

Every class really enjoyed the show, and it was wonderful to have a theatre group back in school, after such a long time.

The Parents Drop-in scheduled for next week will still take place in the library. However, all adults will be asked to wear face coverings.



From the PTFA Christmas Fair

Our Winter Wonderland Christmas Fair is all set for tomorrow, Saturday 4th December from 2 to 4pm in the school playground! **REMEMBER** - if you want to visit Santa's grotto we recommend wellies!!

Raise money for the school while doing your Christmas online shopping! The school is now signed up to two shopping portals that will donate to the school for FREE every time you shop with them. It takes seconds to sign up to by following the links below.



Easyfundraising - the site includes over 4000 shops (including ebay, Argos, ASOS , Etsy and M&S) and sites (including insurance, mobile, utilities and travel) that will donate to the

school. It's really easy, just use the Easyfundraising portal or app every time you shop: <http://bit.ly/2MXWSqJ>.



Amazon Smile - will donate with qualifying purchases through the Amazon Smile website: <https://amzn.to/2Ls2vNu>.

Christmas Dates



Christmas Jumper Day is on **Friday, 10th December**.

The children's **Christmas Lunch** is on **Tuesday, 14th December** and the party day is on **Friday, 17th December**, the last day of term.



NEWTON POPPLEFORD
SCHOOL PTFA

A Winter Wonderland
**Christmas
Fair**

SATURDAY 4TH DECEMBER
2-4^{PM} SCHOOL PLAYGROUND

Hamper Raffle
Games & Stalls
Children's Choir
Hot Food
Refreshments

VISIT SANTA IN HIS
Woodland Grotto

New for 2021



Covid 19: Every effort is being made to ensure a safe and enjoyable event.
Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.